

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF UTAH**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF BILL BARRETT CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER MODIFYING THE BOARD'S ORDER IN CAUSE NO. 139-84 TO PROVIDE FOR THE DRILLING, ON A PILOT BASIS, OF ADDITIONAL WELLS TO ACHIEVE THE EQUIVALENT OF UP TO AN 80-ACRE WELL DENSITY PATTERN FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL, GAS AND ASSOCIATED HYDROCARBONS FOR THE LOWER GREEN RIVER – WASATCH FORMATIONS ON THE SECTIONAL DRILLING UNIT COMPRISED OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST, USM, DUCHESNE COUNTY, UTAH.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Docket No. 2012-018
Cause No. 139-91

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING MATTER.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining (“Board”), State of Utah, will conduct a hearing on WEDNESDAY, May 23, 2012, at 9:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The hearing will be conducted as a formal administrative adjudication in accordance with the rules of the Board as set forth in Utah Administrative Code R641 et seq. and as provided for in Utah Code Ann. § 40-6-1 et seq. and Utah Code Ann. § 63G-4-101 through 601.

The purpose of the hearing will be for the Board to receive testimony and evidence regarding a Request for Agency Action that the Board enter an Order:

1. Modifying the 139-84 Order to authorize the drilling, on a pilot basis, of additional wells, whether all vertical, all horizontal or a combination of both, upon the established drilling unit comprised of Section 5, Township 3 South, Range 5 West, USM, Duchesne County, Utah, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons for the Spaced Formation up to the equivalent of an approximate 80-acre well density; provided, however, that within a reasonable time after

analysis of the pilot program results but, in no event no more than two years after entry of the Order, BBC report back to the Board on the success or failure of the program; and

2. Providing the orientation (stand-up or lay-down) of the 80-acres may be at the discretion of BBC; provided, however, that the orientation once selected must be consistent for the rest of the section; and
3. Providing no productive interval of any well so authorized may be located closer than 660 feet to a sectional boundary or 990 feet to another well producing from the Spaced Formations without an exception location approval obtained in accordance with Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-3; and
4. Providing such other relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances.

Objections to the Request for Agency Action must be filed with the Secretary of the Board at the address listed below no later than the 10th day of the month, or two weeks before the scheduled hearing, whichever is earlier. A party must file a timely written objection or other response in order to participate as a party at the Board hearing.


Natural persons may appear and represent themselves before the Board. All other representation by parties before the Board will be by attorneys licensed to practice law in the State of Utah, or attorneys licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction which meet the rules of the Utah State Bar for practicing law before the Utah Courts.

Persons interested in this matter may participate pursuant to the procedural rules of the Board. The Request for Agency Action, and any subsequent pleadings, may be inspected at the office of the undersigned.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring auxiliary communicative aids and services to enable them to participate in this hearing should call Julie Ann Carter at (801) 538-5277, at least three working days prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 26th day of April, 2012.

STATE OF UTAH
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
James T. Jensen, Chairman


/s/ Julie Ann Carter
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2012-019, Cause No. 139-91 to be mailed with postage prepaid, this 26th day of April, 2012, to the following:

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLISHED NOTICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2012-018, Cause No. 139-91 to be PUBLISHED in the following newspapers on the following days:

May 6, 2012:

The Salt Lake Tribune and Deseret Morning News, newspapers of general circulation in Salt Lake City and County.

May 1, 2012:

Uintah Basin Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in Duchesne and Uintah Counties.

